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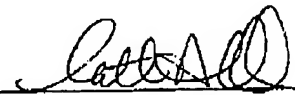
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ELECTION

Applicant elects Group I, namely Claims 2-3, 5-6, 8-9, 11-15, 17-31, 55-56,
58, 62-63, and 78-86.

REMARKS

The Examiner requires restriction between two groups of claims, namely Group I represented by Claims 2-3, 5-6, 8-9, 11-15, 17-31, 55-56, 58, 62-63, and 78-86, which are drawn to an apparatus and Group II, namely Claims 32-54 which are drawn to a method. Furthermore, should the Applicant elect the method claims, namely Group II, the Examiner requires election of a distinct species and names seven different species. As noted above, Applicant elects Group I, namely Claims 2-3, 5-6, 8-9, 11-15, 17-31, 55-56, 58, 62-63, and 78-86, which are drawn to the apparatus.

Applicant respectfully submits that all the elected claims are allowable and respectfully request a Notice of Allowance of such effect.

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Should the Examiner have any questions or comments, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (616) 975-5506.

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